CONDOLENCE MOTION

Moved by: Councillor Michael Thompson
Seconded by: Mayor John Tory

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are saddened to learn of the passing of Thomas Kiriakou on August 4, 2017.

Born in 1936, Mr. Kiriakou immigrated to Canada from Vevi Florina, Greece in 1953 with his father Jerry, mother Peggy and brother Tony.

In 1958, the family established the Wexford Restaurant in Scarborough, growing it into a Scarborough landmark and local legend. Over many decades, breakfast at “The Wexford” became a family tradition for families across Toronto, with Thomas’ warm welcome and kindness playing a large role in the restaurant’s enduring success.

Thanks to the restaurant’s success, Thomas was able to apply his entrepreneurial talents to other local ventures, enabling him to play a significant role in shaping Scarborough Centre’s evolution from sleepy suburb to one of Toronto’s most dynamic and desirable neighbourhoods.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our deepest gratitude for Mr. Kiriakou’s contributions to our City, and our sincere sympathy to his wife Lena, his two children, five grandchildren, three great grandchildren and his brother and sister on his passing.

October 3, 2017